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Washington, DC - Congressman Bruce Braley (D-lowa), vice chair of the House Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee, participated in a hearing today evaluating crib safety standards. Braley is demanding action after a crib malfunction linked to the death of an lowa child spurred the recall of over 600,000 Dorel Asia cribs. In addition to this week's recall of the Dorel Asia cribs, the Consumer Product Safety Commission has issued more than 30 recalls of 7 million cribs since 2005 for a variety of safety problems.

"The deaths and injuries of infants caused by unsafe cribs are simple unacceptable, and we have no excuse for not fixing this problem immediately," Braley said. "If Dorel Asia's statement that 'the recalled cribs meet and exceed all applicable safety standards' is true, this is just one more clear indication that we need to act as quickly as possible to strengthen and enforce these standards.

"That's why, as Chairman of the Populist Caucus, I'm committed to ensuring the prompt implementation and strong enforcement of the highest crib safety standards possible. That's also why I'm working to ensure that future trade agreements include strong product safety standards and that products imported into the U.S. meet or exceed our health and safety standards."

Watch Braley speak at the hearing here.